Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

May, 2007 Montana

Caseload

- •5,663 children were served this month in this program
- 3,445 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- •7.7% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 23.1% of all families served

Children

- •87.7% of children were served in licensed care
- •10.0% of children were cared for by relatives
- ·Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 134 hours per month
- ·School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 27.8% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.9% of all children served

Families

- •79.6% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.9% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- •88.0% of families were headed by a single parent
- •9.3% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$354 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 9.3% of the cost and the program paid 90.7%
- · Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$401
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$240
- ·81.2% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Gallatin County at \$443 per child
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Broadwater County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF